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Cc: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Re: Update MM

Sounds great. I am still anxious for some kind of op ed, or other messaging from MatMaid re: why we knew it was imperative to get a second opinion before declaring MatMaid dead already. The public still barely gets bits and pieces of the situation, and with Lyda now "on it" the spin given to Alaskans may again not be truthfully reflective of what we found, why we committed to such great effort to get it ready for sale, etc. Lyda's comment to me was she's going to audit to find problems "we created", already you know it's going to be a bs message unless we get our word out on the tremendous efforts of BAC and AG these last six months. Please have Kristan, Joe, whomever else, really think about finding someone to help them write this- or to be interviewed with our message more clearly articulated.

Thanks for doing such an awesome job coordinating all the MatMaid "stuff", Kris! It'll be good - at the end of the day - we'll know we did the right thing for AK with this.

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From: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Date: Fri, 09 Nov 2007 17:16:24

To: Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>, "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

Cc: "Balash, Joseph R (GOV)" <joe.balash@alaska.gov>

Subject: Update MM

Some good MM news:

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legislative (Neuman) debate on whether proceeds should return to the General Fund. This opinion is good news! There was

We had our meeting on Wednesday and finalized some transitional items in terms of working with Northern Lights Dairy and the Cooperative to purchase from producers. We'll be ramping up production of jugs for purchase by Northern Lights to sustain them for 6 months and we'll be offering to lease equipment to the Cooperative that is non-essential to the sale. Both will help them keep things going. MM is winding down operations in December

and will stop pick-up from producers by mid-month.

Joe Austerman is doing a great job. Yesterday he spoke at the Eagle River Rotary. I understand it went very well and folks left with a better understanding and support of our efforts. Today, Joe met with Carlisle Trucking (MM's largest payable and the only vendor with a balance beyond 30 days) and they are comfortable with our plan to satisfy the outstanding debt upon the sale, as well as the role they will be playing in MM's wind down. They are also interested in transitioning some of MM's truck drivers to their organization. Within the last day or so, KTUU did an information request of BAC on MM payables. Carlisle is sending a letter indicating that our outstanding balance is proprietary information and they request that it be kept confidential.

In summary from Joe's meeting with them, Carlisle considers MM a long time partner and they'll continue to work with us in any way possible to assure success with Governor Palin's attempt to transition the dairy industry.

The next BAC meeting is Sunday.

Kris

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
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To: PARNELL; S (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Re: OCS-Infant

Should I just call her?

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From: "PARNELL, S (GOV sponsored)" <sr.parnell@alaska.gov>

Date: Fri, 09 Nov 2007 17:49:46

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: OCS-infant

Governor,

Karleen Jackson called with an extremely urgent situation involving OCS. When you get the opportunity, please call me at Private or Private. You'll want to be in a quiet place where you can think and talk for a few minutes, if you haven't already been contacted.

Sean

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I have a window where I could call Karleen today- should I? What's the topic?

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From: PARNELL, S (GOV sponsored)
To: Governor Sarah Palin
Sent: Nov 9, 2007 5:34 PM
Subject: Reduced urgency

No need to call until you have time. Karleen got more facts after speaking with me and others.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Saturday, November 10, 2007 7:12 AM
To: PARNELL; S (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Re: Fortune

Thanks!

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From: PARNELL, S (GOV sponsored)
To: Governor Sarah Palin
Sent: Nov 9, 2007 9:28 PM
Subject: Fortune

I got my Fortune business magazine in the mail today, even though it was dated 10/29, flipped through it and saw an article with your picture entitled "Alaska's Governor Gets Tough with Big Oil." Nice spread for you!

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From: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=MATIBBLES]
Sent: Saturday, November 10, 2007 7:45 PM
To: Sarah Palin
Subject: Carol Comeau letter

Governor,

Please let me know what you think of the draft letter to Carol Comeau. Thank you.

Mike

November 9, 2007

Carol Comeau
Superintendent
Anchorage School District
P.O. Box 196614
Anchorage, AK 99519

Dear Ms. Comeau:

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Sincerely,

Sarah Palin
Governor

8/31/2009

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From: Ruaro, Randall P (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=RPRUARO]

Sent: Saturday, November 10, 2007 3:57 PM

To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'

Subject: Coverage of Veterans Day Events

Governor:

Hannah, Beth, Janice and I have worked up a schedule for the weekend that will have representatives from the Governor's office at 10-12 different Veterans Day events in Juneau, Anchorage, Mat-Su, Kenai, and Fairbanks. I try to keep my e-mail traffic down and don't want to bother you too much, so let me know if you are interested in occasionally receiving this type of information.

Have a nice day,

Randy

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GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=IJFRIE]
Sent: Saturday, November 10, 2007 7:37 AM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: Re: look what I found!

Of course I will. When he found out Harris said that he was pretty fired up.

His testimony went well too-he's a pro know, ready to do it again in the regular season...or session.

I heard the bills are going to the floor tonight. How exciting! And the house version will be the vehicle?

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Subject: Re: Cert of Need and Educ Funding plan

Thanks! And I emailed Mike yesterday re: importance of letting Alaskans know we're working on plan (and not just reacting to Begich's lawsuit threat), we'll need to message this asap. At least letting folks know our intentions. Pls touch base with Mike on that. I do think it needs to be soon. Thanks

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To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com, "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

Cc: "Smith, Lynne M (GOV)" <lynne.smith@alaska.gov>, "Jeans, Eddy (EED)" <eddy.jeans@alaska.gov>

Subject: Re: Cert of Need and Educ Funding plan

Eddy and I are ready anytime. Thanks! Bat

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

To: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Thompson, Barbara A (EED); Jackson, Karleen K (HSS)

Cc: Kim, Anna C (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Smith, Lynne M (GOV); Kelly, Russell T (GOV); Jeans, Eddy (EED)

Sent: Fri Nov 09 07:44:54 2007

Subject: Cert of Need and Educ Funding plan

Mike: I'd like to begin work on allowing flexibility in CoN for leggies to start considering- when does the task force wrap up?

Also- that's a lot of nerve of Begich to say he's going to sue over Educ funding when

Carol Comeau doesn't even agree with him. We need to respond with Barbara's and Eddy's idea on the three-year, three-legged stool idea. We're going to look reactionary if we wait too long to let the public know our educ funding plans, so pls let Eddy know I'd like something on the plan to be made public asap. Thanks

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Saturday, November 10, 2007 10:33 AM
To: braheemhamadeh@gmail.com
Subject: RE: Other

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us. [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Saturday, November 10, 2007 6:03 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Ibrahim Hamadeh
address: 6478 Scottsdale AZ 85262
602-332-9561

MESSAGE:

Hi Mrs. Palin,

I love what your doing in Alaska, you remind me alot of Presidential candidate Ron Paul, would you be willing to endorse him? You share numerous of the same views. You could possibly be his running mate :).

Keep up the good work.

braheemhamadeh@gmail.com

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From: Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]
Sent: Saturday, November 10, 2007 9:32 AM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Re: Wed

Governor - this is in regards to the supreme court interviews. Talis needs to speak with you in this regards and asked that it not be listed on the calendar as such. Frank and Talis requested the meeting. Janice

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
To: Mason, Janice L (GOV)
Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Sent: Fri Nov 09 21:48:33 2007
Subject: Wed

What is wednesday Anchorage mtg about with AG ?

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From: Colberg, Talis J (LAW) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=TJCOLBERG]
Sent: Saturday, November 10, 2007 9:15 AM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: Re: Jeffery & Nolan Opinion - Part 1

Dear governor palin. Yes. Both judges were removed from office for not filing correct papers. There is no appeal. Talis.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>
To: Colberg, Talis J (LAW); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)
Sent: Sat Nov 10 07:24:48 2007
Subject: Re: Jeffery & Nolan Opinion - Part 1

Msg didn't come through. But is this what I read about yest in paper re: Whitney Brewster interviewed on these judges?

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From: Talis Colberg
To: Governor Sarah Palin
Cc: Mike Tibbles
Sent: Nov 9, 2007 9:08 AM
Subject: FW: Jeffery & Nolan Opinion - Part 1

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Sent: Saturday, November 10, 2007 8:51 AM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'; Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); 'fek9wnr@yahoo.com'
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I think if you can make it back here tomorrow, that is the soonest we need you. We may need you to get some of the house Dems on board.

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Subject: Mayor Williams--Ketchikan Ferry

Mike,

At the AML meeting, Mayor Williams of Ketchikan stood up and asked whether a deal would be completed between the state and Ketchikan to keep the Marine Highway System hq in Ketchikan. I told him that you were a better one to answer that question than I as I have not been involved in discussions over the issue. Can you please call him and talk with him about the issue. Thank you.

Sean

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To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Cc: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: FW: Jeffery & Nolan Opinion - Part 1

Dear Governor Palin and Mr. Tibbles,

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From: Rawlings, Kay J (LAW)
Sent: Friday, November 09, 2007 9:22 AM
To: Colberg, Talis J (LAW); Gordon, Nancy R (LAW); Grace, Joanne M (LAW); Hotchkln, Michael G (LAW); Richards, Karyl B (LAW); Tillery, Craig J (LAW); Voigtlander, Gail T (LAW); Webb, Megan R (LAW)
Subject: Jeffery & Nolan Opinion - Part 1

Due to the size of this opinion I split it into 2 pieces. Attached is the decision, I'll send the dissent next. Kay

Kay Rawlings
Kay.Rawlings@alaska.gov
907-269-5226

8/26/2009

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Saturday, November 10, 2007 10:08 PM
To: Kelly; Russell T (GOV)
Cc: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV)
Subject: Re: Update: House Finance

Thanks!

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From: "Kelly, Russell T (GOV)" <russ.kelly@alaska.gov>

Date: Sat, 10 Nov 2007 21:53:20

To: Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Cc: "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>, "Balash, Joseph R (GOV)" <joe.balash@alaska.gov>

Subject: Update: House Finance

House Finance just voted (6 to 5) to bring the rate back down to 22.5, per an amendment introduced by Rep. Chenault. The result is a bill that will move to the floor with a 22.5% rate and 0.4% progressivity. The vote went as follows:

Yeas: Chenault, Meyer, Hawker, Foster, Joule, Thomas

Nays: Kelly, Stoltze, Crawford, Gara, Nelson

By the time they were ready to vote we knew Joule wasn't going with 25, but we still knew Thomas and Nelson were in play. Neither was making any commitment to us. Nelson ultimately voted for 25, so we're encouraged by that and what it says for the floor vote. Thomas was a bit more complicated.

Before Thomas voted, he stated very clearly that he was ready to vote for 25 UNLESS Gara's retroactivity amendment was adopted on the floor (in which case he would go with 22.5). Thomas' rationale was that he didn't want the state to get "too greedy" by raising the tax rate AND collecting taxes retroactively. Note that the retroactivity amendment had just failed in committee and both Kelly and Gara pointed that out, hoping that Thomas would go with 25. It didn't matter, as Thomas still wound up voting for 22.5. Thomas maintains that he is comfortable with switching back to 25 when voting on the floor if retroactivity is not part of the bill. It can be difficult to guess where their heads are at times, but this would at least give us some expectation that Thomas is with us on 25 as long as retroactivity stays out of the bill.

We knew it was always going to come down to the floor vote. We hoped the bill would go to the floor with the 25% rate for the sake of momentum, but it wasn't a necessity. Our vote count for the floor still shows us with enough support for 25%. We now have to focus on those that could flip for any number of reasons. We'll huddle-up tonight/tomorrow and let you know if we have any names for you call.

RK

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Legislative Director

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**Please note my new e-mail address: russ.kelly@alaska.gov

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Saturday, November 10, 2007 7:00 PM
To: Ruaro; Randall P (GOV)
Subject: Re: Coverage of Veterans Day Events

You are awesome Randy. Thank you so much for doing this. And feel free to email any time.

Thank you sincerely!

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

-----Original Message-----

From: "Ruaro, Randall P (GOV)" <randall.ruaro@alaska.gov>

Date: Sat, 10 Nov 2007 15:56:44

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: Coverage of Veterans Day Events

Governor:

Hannah, Beth, Janice and I have worked up a schedule for the weekend that will have representatives from the Governor's office at 10-12 different Veterans Day events in Juneau, Anchorage, Mat-Su, Kenai, and Fairbanks. I try to keep my e-mail traffic down and don't want to bother you too much, so let me know if you are interested in occasionally receiving this type of information.

Have a nice day.

Randy

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From: Frye, Ivy J (DOA) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=IJFRIYE]
Sent: Saturday, November 10, 2007 8:52 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: Mike Kelly

Mike is great!

"Go towards the reservoir of trust...25% will help regain the trust of the people, 22.5 represents a system that was tainted. the new administration has been more than trustworthy and respectful...let's put this thing to bed."

I'm paraphrasing of course, but he was very thoughtful and wise. H fin is still going strong tonight.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Saturday, November 10, 2007 12:59 PM
To: Kelly; Russell T (GOV)
Cc: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV)
Subject: Re: calls to legislators (Sat.)

Just talked to Sen Thomas. He says Lesil needs to be shored up, Stevens too... no changing Lyda's mind... Betty needs shoring up (she already told me she's good at 25). Says he's talking to Balash again this aft.

I'll try the other guys.

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From: "Kelly, Russell T (GOV)" <russ.kelly@alaska.gov>

Date: Sat, 10 Nov 2007 12:47:43

To: Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Cc: "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>, "Balash, Joseph R (GOV)" <joe.balash@alaska.gov>

Subject: calls to legislators (Sat.)

Governor,

The ever-changing schedule for today is House Finance at 1:00 p.m. and Senate Finance at 1:30. We still appear to be in good shape in the House. The Senate Finance outcome is sure to disappoint...as expected...but overall we're o.k. for now.

For today, it could be helpful for you to touch base with these senators:

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If you have the time, let us know if you had any luck contacting them and whether they shared anything helpful.

Thanks,

Russ

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From: PARNELL, S (GOV sponsored) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SRPARNELL1]
Sent: Friday, November 09, 2007 6:34 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: Reduced urgency

No need to call until you have time. Karleen got more facts after speaking with me and others.

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From: PARNELL, S (GOV sponsored) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SRPARNELL1]
Sent: Friday, November 09, 2007 5:50 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: OCS-infant

Governor,

Karleen Jackson called with an extremely urgent situation involving OCS. When you get the opportunity, please call me at Privileged or P. You'll want to be in a quiet place where you can think and talk for a few minutes, if you haven't already been contacted.

Sean

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From: PARNELL, S (GOV sponsored) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SRPARNELL1]
Sent: Friday, November 09, 2007 3:29 PM
To: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
Cc: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: Mayor Williams—Ketchikan Ferry

Mike,

At the AML meeting, Mayor Williams of Ketchikan stood up and asked whether a deal would be completed between the state and Ketchikan to keep the Marine Highway System hq in Ketchikan. I told him that you were a better one to answer that question than I as I have not been involved in discussions over the issue. Can you please call him and talk with him about the issue. Thank you.

Sean

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From: Frye, Ivy J (DOA) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=IJFRIE]
Sent: Friday, November 09, 2007 2:04 PM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Subject: look what I found!

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Don Benson
Palmer

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From: Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]
Sent: Friday, November 09, 2007 4:53 PM
To: Sarah Palin
Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Telephone Call - Carl Clausen

Governor -- I just received a phone call from Carl Clausen stating that it is urgent that he speak with you. He apparently has been trying to reach you on your cell phone.

He stated that the 10 percent alcohol tax was pulled from the ballot based on a deal he has made. He wants this not to just go City wide but State wide. Important the he gets this information to you now. I have copied Kris on this email so that Kris can call Carl back if you would like. Thanks, Janice

Contact: Carl Clausen Privileged or (cell)

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Friday, November 09, 2007 1:22 PM
To: Kelly; Russell T (GOV)
Cc: Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: update

Right on- thanks! Let me know who/when, etc may need calling. Thank you guys!!!

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Kelly, Russell T (GOV)" <russ.kelly@alaska.gov>

Date: Fri, 09 Nov 2007 13:18:14

To: Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Cc: "Balash, Joseph R (GOV)" <joe.balash@alaska.gov>, "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

Subject: update

Governor,

A quick update:

House Finance: "Session has been tentatively scheduled on Saturday, November 10th, at 6:00 p.m." The starting time is dependent on the time House Finance adjourns and on how much time the drafters will need to complete the Finance Committee Substitute. The plan is to have HB 2001 in second reading on Saturday." Rep. Chenault's committee substitute will include the 25% rate and the ACES original progressivity. We are optimistic that the committee will amend it to have higher progressivity and restore many of the other ACES provisions we want to have in the final bill. It's looking like the House version will pass first.

Senate Finance: Introduction of committee substitute bill scheduled for Saturday, November 10, 1:30 p.m. We are less optimistic that what comes out of this committee will include our provisions, but are fairly confident we have the votes on the floor to correct that problem.

To summarize, we are in relatively good shape right now and believe we have some positive momentum. I spoke with Mike and Joe this morning about possibly having you make further phone calls, but we don't have any specifics yet. We will keep you updated on significant events.

Russ

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Friday, November 09, 2007 7:45 AM
To: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Thompson; Barbara A (EED); Jackson; Karleen K (HSS)
Cc: Kim; Anna C (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Smith; Lynne M (GOV); Kelly; Russell T (GOV);
Jeans; Eddy (EED)
Subject: Cert of Need and Educ Funding plan

Mike: I'd like to begin work on allowing flexibility in CoN for leggies to start considering- when does the task force wrap up?

Also- that's a lot of nerve of Begich to say he's going to sue over Educ funding when Carol Comeau doesn't even agree with him. We need to respond with Barbara's and Eddy's idea on the three-year, three-legged stool idea. We're going to look reactionary if we wait too long to let the public know our educ funding plans, so pls let Eddy know I'd like something on the plan to be made public asap. Thanks

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Friday, November 09, 2007 3:16 PM
To: Smith; Lynne M (GOV)
Subject: FW: [Research Matters] ISER Research Matters No. 25

From: iser_publications-bounces@lists.uaa.alaska.edu [mailto:iser_publications-bounces@lists.uaa.alaska.edu] **On Behalf Of** ISER Research Announcements
Sent: Friday, November 09, 2007 1:45 PM
To: ISER_Publications@lists.uaa.alaska.edu
Subject: [Research Matters] ISER Research Matters No. 25

ISER Research Matters is our effort to quickly let Alaskans know about research findings from the Institute of Social and Economic Research (ISER), at the University of Alaska Anchorage. We post these on our Web site and distribute them by e-mail. If you'd like to be removed from or added to our e-mail list, send us a message at ResearchMatters@uaa.alaska.edu

ISER Research Matters No. 25. Economic Significance of Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport
November 9, 2007

The Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport generates one in eight of all wage and salary jobs in Anchorage, or about 18,400 of the city's total 146,800 such jobs in 2006. The airport also generates the same share of payroll—about one in eight dollars of wage and salary payroll can be traced to the airport. These are among the findings of a new study by Scott Goldsmith and Mary Killorin of ISER. The study was funded by the airport, and other findings include:

- About 55% of the airport-related jobs, or 10,222 jobs, are at the airport itself. The remaining 45%, or 8,212 jobs, are generated in the Anchorage community when airlines and other airport businesses make purchases in the community and when airport workers spend their paychecks.
- Anchorage's airport is about five times bigger than airports in other cities of comparable size. That's because the airport serves not only Anchorage residents but international air cargo carriers, visitors from outside Alaska, and residents of other Alaska places traveling through Anchorage.
- Anchorage is now the third largest cargo airport in the world, based on the total weight of cargo moving through the airport. According to the Airport Council International, Anchorage ranked below Memphis and Hong Kong but above Tokyo, Shanghai, and Frankfurt in 2006.
- The airport's contribution to the economy of Anchorage and Alaska goes beyond jobs and payroll. It's part of the infrastructure that links Alaska residents and businesses to each other and the rest of the world.
Without it, the costs of living and doing business here would be much higher.

[Click here to see the full report. Economic Significance of Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport](#)
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From: PARNELL, S (GOV sponsored) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SRPARNELL1]
Sent: Friday, November 09, 2007 10:28 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: Fortune

I got my Fortune business magazine in the mail today, even though it was dated 10/29, flipped through it and saw an article with your picture entitled "Alaska's Governor Gets Tough with Big Oil." Nice spread for you!

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From: Bailey, Frank T (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=FTBAILEY]
Sent: Friday, November 09, 2007 9:15 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'; 'krisandclark@yahoo.com'
Subject: Tools

Interesting how VOT, your critics and "a majority legislator" tried to take a tool out of your toolbox to get your message out.

Equate that to what Therriault did today. He essentially handicapped a tool of Senate ACES opponents by mentioning the possibility of the stalling tactic, that the media picked up, that put Bert, Huggins, and probably Lyda on the defense. By that move he essentially said, "if they run out the clock, their motives are suspect."

Taking away one of their tools. Brilliant.

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Byers, Gail Y (LAW)

From: Dwight Kramer [dwimar@gci.net]
Sent: Thursday, November 08, 2007 8:25 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Cc: Lloyd; Denby S (DFG); Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Mike Chenault; Wagoner; Tom (LAA)
Subject: Relocate Habitat Division to ADF&G

Dear Governor Palin,

Our organization, Kenai Area Fisherman's Coalition , supports your desire to move the Habitat Division back to the Department of Fish and Game (See attached letter of support). We believe the State and the future health of our fisheries would be better served by this relocation effort.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dwight Kramer
Chairman KAFC
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KENAI AREA FISHERMAN'S COALITION

PO Box 375 Kenai, Ak. 99611 * (907) 283-1054 * dwimar@gci.net

Governor Sarah Palin
P.O. Box 110001
Juneau, Ak. 99811-0001

November 8, 2007

Dear Governor Palin,

The KAFC is an organization composed of scientists and concerned users of the Kenai Peninsula waters. KAFC membership includes biologists (retired State and Federal) which provide over 120 years of experience on the Kenai River and other Peninsula waters in all areas of research and management. We consider the KAFC to be a "Joe Fisherman" organization since we have no commercial interests.

It is our considered opinion that the state, and our fisheries, would best be served if the Habitat Division were moved back under the auspices of the Department of Fish and Game. As this is the only department with a mandate to protect these most valuable of resources, we feel this would be the best path to insure the future health of our fisheries. It would also be in the best interests of our state to begin this process as soon as possible.

We appreciate your time and attention regarding this very important matter.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dwight Kramer – KAFC Chairman
283-1054

cc: Hon. Denby Lloyd, Commissioner of ADF&G
Hon. Tom Irwin, Commissioner of DNR
Mike Nizich, Dep. Chief of Staff, Office of the Governor
Tom Wagoner, Alaska State Senator
Mike Chenault, Alaska State House Representative

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Friday, November 09, 2007 2:40 PM
To: Smith; Lynne M (GOV)
Subject: FW: ED Review (11/09/07)

From: Honeysett, Adam [mailto:Adam.Honeysett@ed.gov]
Sent: Friday, November 09, 2007 5:42 AM
Subject: ED Review (11/09/07)

ED REVIEW

November 9, 2007

...a bi-weekly update on U.S. Department of Education activities relevant to the
Intergovernmental and Corporate community and other stakeholders

PRIVACY GUIDANCE

On October 30, Secretary Spellings joined Secretary of Commerce Carlos Gutierrez and Secretary of Homeland Security Michael Chertoff at a high school in suburban Virginia to announce the availability of three new brochures that present guidance on the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). In the wake of the Virginia Tech University shootings, these brochures -- one for K-12 officials, one for higher education officials, and one for parents -- seek to empower schools to better balance students' privacy rights with school safety concerns by explaining the agency's interpretations in plain language. "I think it is important for people to understand what the current law allows," Secretary Spellings said. "It does allow [student records] to be shared, particularly when the student is a dependent (a child -- not an emancipated adult). So, before we leap into legislative changes, let's make sure that we're maximizing all of the flexibilities and information and latitudes that the law does provide within the context of privacy." The brochures also include contact information for obtaining additional assistance and guidance. FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE GO TO <http://www.ed.gov/policy/gen/guid/fpco/ferpa/safeschools/>.

Along with the brochures, the Secretary shared a handout on emergency management resources, including a variety of materials from the Department and partners across the federal government. FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE GO TO <http://www.ed.gov/policy/gen/guid/secletter/071030enc.html>.

Meanwhile, in September, the Department's Family Policy Compliance Office (<http://www.ed.gov/policy/gen/guid/fpco/>) issued its annual notification to states and school districts of their obligations under FERPA and the Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment (PPRA). PPRA gives parents and students over 18 certain rights regarding the conduct of surveys, the

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collection and use of information for marketing, and some physical exams.

Also: The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has supplied schools and parents with a concise summary of guidelines on how to prevent the spread of methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus*, or MRSA. FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE GO TO <http://www.cdc.gov/Features/MRSAInSchools/>.

ADOLESCENT READERS INITIATIVE

On November 2, Secretary Spellings announced the national distribution of 520,000 free, new books as part of the 2007 Adolescent Readers Initiative. The initiative, a joint venture between the Department and the non-profit entity First Book, is designed to improve the literacy skills of struggling young adults in low-income schools and communities. Most of the books donated for this effort are from Townsend Press's "Bluford Series," a batch of 13 novels that focus on the lives of a group of young high school students and their families. Set in contemporary urban America, each novel addresses topics relevant to the lives of today's students. Since June 2006, the Department, First Book, and major book publishers have collaborated to distribute more than 1.65 million children's books to schools, libraries, and organizations serving low-income students in hurricane-affected communities and throughout the country. FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE GO TO <http://www.ed.gov/news/pressreleases/2007/11/11022007b.html>.

Also: A recent study by the Center on Education Policy (CEP), "Reading First: Locally Appreciated, Nationally Troubled," finds the Department's Reading First program, while embattled in Washington, is the most highly rated *No Child Left Behind* program in terms of its effect on achievement. More than three-fourths of states and two-thirds of school districts with Reading First grants reported that the program's instructional initiatives and assessment systems were "important" causes of gains in student achievement. And, the program's impact is felt beyond just participating schools: over half of Reading First districts reported using elements of Reading First in non-Reading First schools and in the upper grades. Therefore, CEP recommends fixing and expanding the program. FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE GO TO <http://www.cep-dc.org/index.cfm?fuseaction=document.showDocumentByID&nodeID=1&DocumentID=228>.

A COMPETITIVE EDGE

The next "Education News Parents Can Use" broadcast (November 20, 8:00-9:00 ET) will focus on how the Department, institutions of higher education, and other key stakeholders are working together to better prepare students for postsecondary education and the jobs of the 21st century. Today, more than 90% of the fastest-growing jobs require higher education and/or training. Moreover, three-quarters of those jobs require a college degree. Yet, 60% of Americans have no postsecondary credentials, and only one-third have a degree. At the same time, many Americans want to go to college but decide not to, either because they are unprepared or cannot afford the cost. In response to these challenges, in the fall of 2005, Secretary Spellings formed the Commission on the Future of Higher Education, facilitating a dialogue on the vital issues of accessibility, affordability, and accountability. Then, based on the commission's findings, she developed and began implementing a detailed Action Plan (<http://www.ed.gov/about/bdscomm/list/hiedfuture/actionplan-factsheet.html>). The broadcast will discuss what has been accomplished under the plan as well as explore strategies to better prepare students for college and help them succeed once they are enrolled. FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE GO TO <http://www.ed.gov/edtv/>. (You can watch archived webcasts at

<http://www.connectlive.com/events/ednews/>)

HIGHER EDUCATION REGULATIONS

In a *Federal Register* notice (<http://www.ed.gov/legislation/FedRegister/proprule/2007-4/102207a.html>), the Department declared its intention to establish one or two negotiated rulemaking committees to prepare proposed regulations for changes made by the *College Cost Reduction and Access Act* to Title IV of the *Higher Education Act*. The actual number of committees and their organization will be based upon comments received in writing and at regional hearings. FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE GO TO <http://www.ed.gov/policy/highered/reg/hearulemaking/2008/index2008.html>.

During the week of October 29, the agency published in the *Federal Register* three regulatory packages implementing changes to current federal student aid regulations. First, it published final regulations for Academic Competitiveness and National Science and Mathematics Access to Retain Talent (SMART) grants (<http://www.ed.gov/legislation/FedRegister/finrule/2007-4/102907a.html>). Second, it published final regulations for the Federal Perkins Loan, Federal Family Education Loan, and William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan programs (<http://www.ed.gov/legislation/FedRegister/finrule/2007-4/110107a.html>), addressing, among other items, preferred lender lists, prohibited inducements, and "total and permanent disability" discharge. Third, it published final regulations for general provisions (<http://www.ed.gov/legislation/FedRegister/finrule/2007-4/110107b.html>). All of the regulations become effective on July 1, 2008. FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE GO TO <http://www.ed.gov/news/pressreleases/2007/11/11012007.html>.

Other higher education-related resources:

- 2008-09 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) on the Web PowerPoint presentation (<http://ifap.ed.gov/eannouncements/1025FOTW0809EAScreenShots.html>)
- "Funding Education Beyond High School: The Guide to Federal Student Aid 2008-09" (<http://www.fsapubs.org/app/search/itemdetails.aspx?item=EN%200797P>)
- 2007 National Survey of Student Engagement (<http://nsse.iub.edu/NSSE%5F2007%5FAnnual%5FReport/>), which summarizes the views of 313,000 first-year and senior students at 610 four-year colleges and universities on five benchmarks: (1) level of academic challenge, (2) active and collaborative learning, (3) student-faculty interaction, (4) enriching education experiences, and (5) supportive campus environment.

CHARACTER EDUCATION

On November 5, at a LEAGUE town hall meeting in New York City, Secretary Spellings highlighted the critical role schools play in developing character and teaching lessons like integrity and responsibility. "In today's competitive world, our students obviously need solid academic skills to succeed," she said. "But, they also need the ability to make responsible choices, the courage to stand up for what's right, and the compassion to help others." At the event, the Secretary released a new guidebook, "Mobilizing for Evidence-Based Character Education," with a roadmap to help educators fully evaluate their programs. FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE GO TO <http://www.ed.gov/programs/charactered/resources.html>.

DOING WHAT WORKS

Earlier this month, the Department launched a "Doing What Works" web site (<http://dww.ed.gov/>) to provide educators with recommendations on effective teaching practices to improve student achievement. The site has a user-friendly interface to quickly identify teaching practices that have been found effective by the agency's research arm, the Institute of Education Sciences (IES), and similar organizations. It also cites examples of possible ways -- although not necessarily the only ways -- this research may be used to help students reach their academic potential. For example, teachers interested in successful strategies for helping English language learners can watch a video of eight techniques that teachers at one school use to teach vocabulary. Classroom scenes, student reactions, and graphic aids can all be viewed. In the future, similar resources will be available in the areas of cognition and learning, early childhood education, literacy, math and science, high school reform, and school restructuring.

QUOTE TO NOTE

"I don't think the way to do it is a one-size-fits-all national standard that morphs into a national curriculum that morphs into national textbooks. It's the wrong way to go, and it's a giant time-waster."

-- Secretary of Education Margaret Spellings (11/5/07), answering a question on national standards during an interview with *U.S. News & World Report*

UPCOMING EVENTS

Remember! Next week (November 12-16) is International Education Week. This year's theme is "International Education: Fostering Global Citizenship and Respect," recognizing the importance of teaching children to be responsible, thoughtful world citizens. FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE GO TO <http://iew.state.gov/>.

On November 15, the Department's National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) will release results from the 2007 Trial Urban District Assessment (TUDA) in reading and math. Eleven urban districts participated in this fourth iteration of the pilot project. FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE GO TO <http://nationsreportcard.gov/>.

November 28-December 6, the Department's Center for Faith-Based and Community Initiatives is hosting a series of technical assistance workshops for organizations interested in becoming supplemental educational service (SES) providers. The workshops are free, but pre-registration is required. Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis. FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE GO TO <http://www.ed.gov/about/inits/list/fbci/suppserv-workshops.html>.

Over the next two weeks, the Department will be exhibiting at the Latino Book and Family Festival in Chicago (November 10-11), the National Association of Black School Educators' Annual Conference in Nashville (November 13-17), and the National League of Cities' Annual Congress of Cities and Exposition in New Orleans (November 13-17). If you are attending any of these events, please stop by the Department's booth.

Please feel free to contact the Office of Communications and Outreach with any questions:
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Sent: Friday, November 09, 2007 2:31 PM
To: Smith; Lynne M (GOV)
Subject: FW: WICHE Stat Alert

From: Stats [mailto:stats@wiche.edu]
Sent: Thursday, November 08, 2007 6:01 PM
To: Palin, Sarah H (GOV)
Subject: WICHE Stat Alert

Stat Alert – November 8, 2007

ACT has recently released a report, State of College Readiness for Latino Students, that shows progress in our nation's performance on getting Latino students ready for college. Based on their scores on ACT's battery of assessment tests, it suggests that the improvements are due in part to more Latinos taking more rigorous, college-preparatory coursework. Details can be found in the report located at (<http://www.act.org/path/policy/pdf/CollegeReadinessLatino.pdf>).

The Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education (WICHE) strives to maintain excellent communication with the education policy and research communities. To subscribe or unsubscribe to the Policy Alerts and/or Stat Alerts distribution lists, please email your name, title, and organization to Jeanette Porter at jporter@wiche.edu. These electronic distribution lists are used only to support WICHE-sponsored programs and to share resources about relevant issues in higher education policy and research. As an additional resource, WICHE maintains a Policy Publication Clearinghouse on the web at <http://wiche.edu/policy/Clearinghouse>, which includes past Policy Alerts and Stat Alerts, as well as other studies, reports, surveys, and policy briefs.

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Sent: Friday, November 09, 2007 1:49 PM
To: joegriffo@acsalaska.net
Subject: RE: Fish_and_Game

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

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Sent: Thursday, November 08, 2007 8:58 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Fish_and_Game

Web mail from: Mr. Joe Griffo

address: 1120 E. Huffman Rd. 24-616 Anchorage AK 99515
9073462483

MESSAGE:

Dear Governor Palin:

I live in Anchorage about one half of the time and on Susitna Lake (attached to Lk. Louise) the other half. I would like to bring to your attention a problem that we have during hunting season in the Louise - Susitna - Tyone area. I will also provide a couple of possible solutions.

During the Fall hunting season the area becomes saturated with hunters. Most are heading for the Tyone River. Every year the area becomes more and more like the wild west. Hunters arrive in mass and make very messy camps that the locals later pick up. They cut down trees near cabins, they are crazed with the need to shoot anything so they randomly shoot ravens, eagles, loons, muskrats and anything else that wanders within range. Often the victims of the shootings are simply wounded and remain in the area, unable to migrate, until the changing season results in their final demise.

As for a couple of possible solutions:

1. During the Fall hunting season a couple of F & G personel could cruise the area of Susitna & Tyone. Just having a presence would do wonders towards taming the hunters.
2. If there is simply a shortage of personel, then F & G could consider training volunteers to come on board during that period and provide similar assistance and supervision.

Please give serious consideration to the above mentioned problem and the possible

solutions. Your attention would go a long ways towards reducing the growing tension between hunters and locals of the area.

Sincerely,

Joe Griffo

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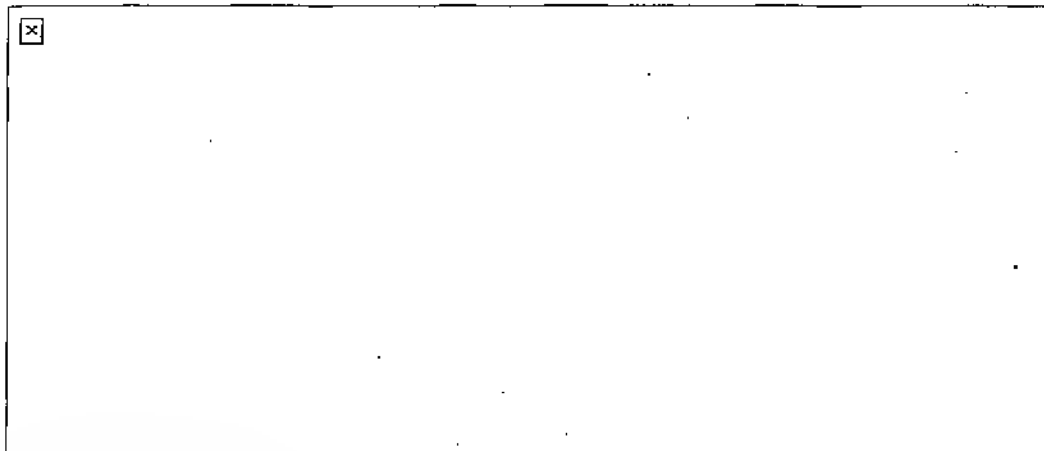
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To: Governor Sarah Palin
Cc: Beth Leschper; Larry Persily; Michael Tibbles; Mike Nizich; Sharon Leighow
Subject: ANWR/Congressional Delegation

I guess great minds think alike. I had not seen the statement below when I sent my previous email. I don't think that the statement is as effective as it could be, but, for better or worse, it adopts the same basic theme I suggested.

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IMMEDIATE RELEASE

November 7, 2007

Contacts: Aaron Saunders w/Stevens (202) 224-1028
Kevin Sweeney w/Murkowski (907) 276-8921
Meredith Kenny w/Young (202) 225- 5765

Alaska's Congressional Delegation Vows to Defeat Anti-Development Legislation

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Coastal Plain as wilderness.

"With the price of oil approaching \$100 per barrel and with our energy dependence on hostile foreign nations at a record high, now is not the time to cut our country off from the resources held in Alaska's Coastal Plain. This area has the largest untapped domestic oil field in the United States and would provide our nation with a million barrels of oil per day for at least three decades. Instead of blocking resource development, Congress must increase our domestic production of energy.

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Cc: Smith; Lynne M (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Todd; Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Frank Bailey; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Thompson; Barbara A (EED)
Subject: Re: drop out response

Yeah!!! That's the coolest thing I've heard in a long time. Awesome job you guys - thank you... and obviously the education experts thank you.

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From: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 08 Nov 2007 16:51:57

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Cc: "Smith, Lynne M (GOV)" <lynne.smith@alaska.gov>

Subject: drop out response

I thought you might like to see this!

-----Original Message-----

From: Susan McCauley [mailto:Susan.McCauley@matsuk12.us]

Sent: Thursday, November 08, 2007 4:43 PM

To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)

Subject: dropout press release

Dear Governor Palin:

Thank you for both the letter to principals and the press release regarding the recently-released John Hopkins study that labeled one of our high schools, Wasilla High, a "dropout factory". We in the administrative office of the Mat-Su Borough School District received your press release during a lunch break from our All Principals' Meeting

today. During our morning session, principals, including Dwight Probasco, principal of Wasilla High, updated the group of the efforts to reduce dropouts that have been underway in our district for the past year. Dwight referred to his school's "dubious title" and commented on the misrepresentation of his school in the Hopkins report. What wonderful timing that we were able to read aloud to our group of 40 principals your press release when we returned from lunch. It was met with a round of applause.

Thank you for the due diligence you have done in investigating the methodology used for this study, and in helping the public to understand that more direct, accessible measures of dropout rate are readily available. Mr. Probasco commented to me last week that this study felt like "a kick in the gut". Your public statement has likely gone a long ways toward helping Mr. Probasco and the principals of the 6 other mentioned schools feel supported and appreciated.

Sincerely,
Susan McCauley

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(907) 746-9292, fax

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To: teeranchinport@yahoo.com
Subject: RE: General_Administration

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Subject: General_Administration

Web mail from: Mr. Sean Rogers

address: P.M.B. 179, 3377Bethel Rd.STE 107 Port Orchard WA 98366
360-674-7080

MESSAGE:

Good work Sara, Being a good leader you have to make some very tricky choises, excellent job, well i hope you have a good day.

teeranchinport@yahoo.com

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GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]
Sent: Thursday, November 08, 2007 1:31 PM
To: Sarah Palin
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Scheduling/Updates

Governor - I received a call from Jim Bowles office, Conoco Phillips asking that a meeting be set up between you and Mr. Bowles in regards to Gas pipeline. Mr. Bowles would be available to be in Juneau on Thurs/Fri. 11.15/11.16. Joe Balash has recommended this as Mr. Bowles would more than likely be stating what they are going to do and we need to hear this.

The Lt. Gov will be attending the Wreath-Laying Ceremony on Veterans Day and will be presenting a Wreath on your behalf. This is located @ Ft. Richardson Cemetery.

Kris has talked with RGA today and unfortunately they do not take care of spouses. Thanks, Janice

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, November 08, 2007 6:24 PM
To: Kreitzer, Annette E (DOA); Notti, Emil R (CED); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: Sheila Toomey

Got it.

Too bad the gossip column is taking serious any of the "rumors" she hears.
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From: "Kreitzer, Annette E (DOA)" <annette.kreitzer@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 08 Nov 2007 18:21:43

To: ExternalEmailgsp <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>, "Notti, Emil R (CED)"
<emil.notti@alaska.gov>, "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

Subject: RE: Sheila Toomey

Since it's a personnel matter, I can't really comment to anyone outside of the Governor. Kevin Brooks responded on my behalf to a few press inquiries (not unusual as they were Kenai, Duane's home turf) - that we have a different management philosophy. That's about all we can say publicly.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Thursday, November 08, 2007 6:18 PM

To: Notti, Emil R (CED); Kreitzer, Annette E (DOA); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)

Subject: Fw: Sheila Toomey

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Date: Fri, 9 Nov 2007 03:11:25

To: "Sharon Leighow" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>, "K Perry" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>, "Bailey, Frank T (GOV)" <frank.bailey@alaska.gov>

Subject: Re: Sheila Toomey

Wow- she got it wrong on both stories. Privileged or Personal Material Redacted

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And Ron's leaving has nothing to do with Jim Palin (who hasn't been GM of a utility since about 1989). Privileged or Personal Material Redacted

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From: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 08 Nov 2007 17:11:35

To: "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>, "Bailey, Frank T (GOV)" <frank.bailey@alaska.gov>, gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: Sheila Toomey

FYI

Sheila called me today to confirm that Dwayne Bannock was fired by the Governor. I told her absolutely not - it was a commissioner call. She also got a call regarding Ron Miller. The caller - mentioned the Governor's father in law's involvement in a utility - as a possible reason for Miller losing his job at a time of record dividends. She understood, or at least she said, that the decision was made by the board. She hinted this might be a news story not an ear item. If you folks want me to add anything please let me know. I am not too familiar with this one.

I let Sheila know that CNBC is coming to Juneau next week. I also told her about Mindy Rowland joining the Leg office.

Sharon Leighow

Deputy Press Secretary

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, November 08, 2007 6:17 PM
To: Frye, Ivy J (DOA)
Subject: Re: Don testifying at 5:30 on GtG

Lemme know how it goes

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To: Kelly; Russell T (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV)
Cc: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Leschper; Beth (GOV); Galvin; Patrick S (DOR)
Subject: "pressure"

Don't know how these rumors of me "pressuring" lawmakers- especially Rural leggies- started, and don't know why they're continuing, but I've met with them many times and communicated with lawmakers on the phone at your request and upon your advice. Now, if it's doing more harm than good to talk to any lawmaker (and I've never threatened, bribed or anything else), please don't keep setting up these opportunities to work with them.

I think it's fishy that Harris came to me with the rumors of my "threats" to lawmakers if they don't go along with ACES, which is bull... and then it's his suspicious aide we believe is blogging the same bogus information.

Please do what you can do about the situation because perhaps we're better off not giving our critics more opportunity to lie about the situation, meaning no more meetings between me and lawmakers. ?

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Subject: Re: ANWR/Senator Lieberman

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Date: Thu, 08 Nov 2007 08:18:46

To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Cc: "Beth Leschper" <beth.leschper@alaska.gov>, "Mike Tibbles" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>, "Sharon Leighow" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>, "Larry Persily" <lpersily@ALASKADC.org>, "Mike Nizich" <mike_nizich@gov.state.ak.us>

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Cc: Beth Leschper; Larry Persily; Mike Tibbles; Mike Nizich; Sharon Leighow
Subject: Re: ANWR/Congressional Delegation

Excellent! Thanks for the great idea, let's proceed.

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From: "John Katz" <jwkatz@ALASKADC.org>

Date: Thu, 8 Nov 2007 08:30:17

To: "Governor Sarah Palin" <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Cc: "Beth Leschper" <beth.leschper@alaska.gov>, "Larry Persily" <lpersily@ALASKADC.org>, "Mike Nizich" <mike_nizich@gov.state.ak.us>, "Mike Tibbles" <michael_tibbles@gov.state.ak.us>, "Sharon Leighow" <sharon_leighow@gov.state.ak.us>

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From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) [govpalin@alaska.gov]
Sent: Thursday, November 08, 2007 11:36 AM
To: Yocom; Lauren J (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Leschper, Beth (GOV)
Subject: Re: Press Release: Governor Palin Calls School Study Inaccurate

You all are goooooood. Thank you so much.

----- Original Message -----

From: Yocom, Lauren J (GOV) <lauren.yocom@alaska.gov>
To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Leschper, Beth (GOV)
Cc: Yocom, Lauren J (GOV)
Sent: Thu Nov 08 11:26:51 2007
Subject: Press Release: Governor Palin Calls School Study Inaccurate

IMMEDIATE RELEASE
No. 07-220

Governor Palin Calls School Study Inaccurate

Offers to Talk to Students Considering Dropping Out

November 8, 2007, Juneau, Alaska - Governor Sarah Palin today sent supportive letters to the principals of seven Alaska high schools that were branded "dropout factories" in a well-publicized Johns Hopkins University study. Governor Palin also offered to talk with any student from those schools who may be considering dropping out.

Governor Palin told the principals, "I want you to know that neither I nor anyone in my administration believe this inflammatory label is accurate or fair. I know that you and your staff work hard to educate every student and to offer extra attention for any student who is at risk of dropping out."

The seven Alaska high schools mentioned in the Johns Hopkins study are: Ben Eielson Jr./Sr. High School, Lathrop High School, North Pole High School, Bethel Regional High School, Wasilla High School, Dillingham Middle/High School and Barrow High School.

The Johns Hopkins study did not look at published graduation or dropout rates, which are publicly available. Rather, it compared the number of seniors with the number of freshmen from four years before. The "retention rate" method does not take into account that some students transfer to other schools.

Many of the seven affected Alaska schools had graduation rates notably better than the "retention rates" published in the Johns Hopkins study.

Alaska, like other states, does have a serious dropout problem, Governor Palin said in the letter to the principals. But, she added, "I want you to know that my administration and I stand shoulder-to-shoulder with you in your committed efforts to educate the youth of Alaska as you prepare them to be successful, productive adults. To that end, if you have any potential dropout students, please have them call me personally and let me help talk them into staying. Even if one student stays in school as a result of talking to me, it'll be worth it."

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Sent: Thursday, November 08, 2007 11:34 AM
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Cc: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV)
Subject: Re: "pressure"

Excellent.

Ok- as long as they know we're not conducting politics as usual and threatening anyone, and these mtgs are truly helping, then let's forge ahead mtg with them, with leggies' concurrence.

Stuck me as odd that Harris attended his first ever bush caucus mtg the other day- like he was there to keep an eye on what was said? Shoot- Mary's right- she asked for the mtg and we were also conducting it as a follow up to AFN.

Thank you.

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From: "Kelly, Russell T (GOV)" <russ.kelly@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 08 Nov 2007 11:12:41

To: ExternalEmailgsp <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: RE: "pressure"

I've been meeting w/legislators all morning and just now spoke w/Rep. Nelson, Rep. Gara & Sen. Wielechowski. Hopefully, their reaction will put you at ease. First, they were surprised we were responding to rumors pushed by the VOT, Halcro, Fagan, blogs, etc., because they don't believe those sources have any credibility. I explained that we just didn't want the wrong impression out there. They understood and are clear that the rumors are all untrue (I delivered the entire message, including that Green and Harris came up and were told these rumors were false).

Rep. Nelson said Dave Donaldson had asked her about the bush caucus meeting and whether the capital budget was discussed with the governor. Rep. Nelson told Dave that SHE asked for the meeting, not the other way around! I thanked her for clearing that up. I will visit with the folks in the press room (I do this every couple of days anyway) and see if these rumors are gaining any steam. If so, I will work with Sharon to make sure we do our best to stamp it out.

Finally, those folks believe these rumors are not going to hurt our efforts. As Joe stated, these rumors were started by those who want you to fail...hoping you will be afraid to keep fighting for a good bill for Alaska. As Rep. Gara said so well, "Don't reward bad behavior!" In other words, don't let the rumors change how we are doing business...honestly and in a straight-forward way debating ACES on its merits. That's exactly why the rumors were started, and we can't let them win.

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Russ

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To: Smith; Lynne M (GOV)
Subject: FW: Reminder of Nov 8 Conference Call

From: Ken Oplinger [mailto:ken@oplinger.com]
Sent: Thursday, November 08, 2007 6:29 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
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Thursday, November 8, 2007

Find the InterVISTAS / TIAC Economic Impact Report on WHTI HERE

BESTT Coalition Conference Call

Just a reminder that the next BESTT Coalition Conference Call will be today, Thursday, November 8th, at 11am PT / 2pm ET. The call should be about one hour, and we will be covering the latest information on WHTI, EDLs, and other topics.



Call in number is (605) 772-3870, and the access code is 957740#.

Border Crossing Information Web Site

At the request of the Tourism Bureau in Whatcom County, I created the following site for information on border crossings by land, sea and air.

www.besttcoalition.com/Passports

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www.besttcoalition.com/Vermont

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If you'd like a comparable site, branded to you area, let me know.

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Thursday, November 08, 2007 2:19 PM
To: Smith; Lynne M (GOV)
Subject: FW: Alaska State Chamber of Commerce - Capital Notes

From: Wayne Stevens [mailto:wstevens@alaskachamber.com]
Sent: Thursday, November 08, 2007 10:49 AM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Alaska State Chamber of Commerce - Capital Notes

Alaska State Chamber of Commerce

Capital Notes

www.alaskachamber.com

November 8, 2007

PLEASE NOTE:

The House & Senate Finance Committees are holding a joint public hearing on ACES TONIGHT at 5:30 p.m.

The Alaska State Chamber strongly urges you to get out and offer your opinion on the proposed changes to the Petroleum Profits Tax and Alaska's Clear and Equitable Share (ACES). This is your chance to be heard on this important debate on the future of Alaska's economy.

You can testify by going to your local Legislative Information Offices (LIO) and signing up to offer testimony on the House and Senate bills 2001.

You can find the location of all LIO's in the State, online at the State Legislature's web site by [clicking here](#)

A copy of the both current versions the House and Senate bills are available online at the State Legislature's web site.

[Click here for Senate Bill SB 2001](#)

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The Alaska State Chamber web site has a copy of our letter to the Governor and our talking points available for your use at our web site by [clicking here](#)

The Alaska State Chamber of Commerce is urging the Governor and Legislature to proceed with caution as they conduct their review and deliberations on the Petroleum Profits Tax (PPT) and the bill introduced by the Governor, Alaska's Clear and Equitable Share. The concern is that while the Legislature works to restore public faith, outcomes based more on emotion than economics will further chill the oil investment climate. A second concern is the stated goal of

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generating more revenue for the treasury. The chamber does not agree with that goal, and we fear that Alaskans will confuse the outcome of higher tax revenue with the goal of fair share.

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Given today's oil prices, the Alaska's Clear and Equitable Share (ACES) legislation proposes to collect surplus revenue for a fiscal system that results in increased spending but lacks a strategic business plan for the state. This policy outcome does not warrant worsening the investment environment.

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GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=LMSMITH1]
Sent: Wednesday, November 07, 2007 10:39 AM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: Letter to principals

Good morning Governor,

Here is the letter to the principals. By the time it got through proofing, you had already left. We were going to have you sign it, but rather than wait until next week, I will just have the machine sign it, if that is all right with you.

Lynne

Text of Letter to Principals.

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Anything that harms the public confidence in our schools only makes educators' jobs more difficult. Therefore, we cannot allow erroneous opinions to dampen our spirits or sabotage our collaborative efforts to meet the needs of our students. Ultimately, the dropout problem will be alleviated by parents, community members, and educators working together.

After examining the study, we know that it does not assess either graduation rates or dropout rates. Those rates are not hidden. They are publicly available in school district and state report cards to the public.

Rather than using the most relevant data, the study compares the number of seniors with the number of freshmen from four years before. The study does not distinguish between students who drop out and students who transfer to another school or who move out of Alaska.

We all recognize that, like every other state in the nation, Alaska does have a serious dropout problem. I know that Alaskans are working at the community, school district, and state levels to address this problem. I regret that your good work has been denigrated with false labels.

As your governor, I want you to know that my administration and I stand shoulder-to-shoulder with you in your committed efforts to educate the youth of Alaska as you prepare them to be successful, productive adults.

Sincerely,

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Shееееesh- I still can not get over this. Why create more dependency on foreign sources?! If ever you hear of a grand idea to get these naysayers to listen, please let me know and we'll try anything reasonable to send a pro-ANWR message nationally.

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From: Bailey, Frank T (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=FTBAILEY]
Sent: Wednesday, November 07, 2007 2:04 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: RE: Eddie's 1st Day

Here is your reminder....a little early. I'll send one in a couple of hours as well to make sure you get this.

KBYR's number is 274.5297 and just in case something went wrong, Eddie's cell is Privileged. He said just a quick note wishing him well would absolutely make his day.

Thanks!

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, November 06, 2007 9:00 PM.
To: Bailey, Frank T (GOV)
Subject: Re: Eddie's 1st Day

Remind me to via email at around four!

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From: Bailey, Frank T (GOV)
To: Governor Sarah Palin
Sent: Nov 6, 2007 8:50 PM
Subject: Eddie's 1st Day

Got a note from him asking if any way you could call in tomorrow. Told him tomorrow would be difficult to keep the expectation low.

He has Coghill on at 430 talking Supreme Ct but said he'd love to have u on whenever you could.

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From: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com> [gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, November 07, 2007 2:40 PM
To: John Katz
Cc: Beth Leschper; Mike Tibbles; Sharon Leighow
Subject: Re: ANWR/Senator Lieberman

Shееееesh- I still can not get over this. Why create more dependency on foreign sources?! If ever you hear of a grand idea to get these naysayers to listen, please let me know and we'll try anything reasonable to send a pro-ANWR message nationally.

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From: "John Katz" <jwkatz@ALASKADC.org>

Date: Wed, 07 Nov 2007 17:18:41

To: "Governor Sarah Palin" <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: ANWR/Senator Lieberman

After sending this, I though that you might also be interested.

There's nothing new here, and I doubt that anything more will happen. However, I wanted you to be aware of the current situation.

We're working with the remnants of Arctic Power and others to promote some counter battery fire.

ANWR: Lieberman renews bid for permanent drilling ban

A quarter of the Senate has signed on to keep the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge off-limits to oil and natural gas drilling.

Backed by a group of 25 senators, Sen. Joe Lieberman (I-Conn.) introduced a bill today that would designate the coastal plain of the Alaskan reserve as an official wilderness area, thereby precluding any oil and gas activities.

"America's strength is not in our oil reserves but in our reserves of innovation," Lieberman said in a statement. "The answer is not to drill in our national treasures but to increase our energy efficiency and find alternative and renewable sources of energy."

All 26 sponsors are Democrats, excluding Lieberman and Sen. Bernie Sanders (I-Vt.).

The coastal plain is currently off-limits to drilling rigs, but Lieberman and other lawmakers want permanent protection. Legislation in 1980 that expanded the Arctic preserve deferred a congressional decision on managing energy resources on the 1.5-million-acre coastal plain.

Alaskan lawmakers and others seeking to boost domestic production have long sought to tap an estimated 5.7 billion and 16 billion barrels worth of oil in the region. Republicans came close to opening the area in the last Congress after expanding their majority in the 2004 elections but fell just short.

The ANWR issue is not wholly partisan, with several pro-drilling Democrats in favor of development and moderate Republicans having sunk efforts to open the reserve in the last Congress.

Opening the area is not on the table under the Democratic leadership of Congress. At the same time, permanent protections are also considered quite unlikely given the difficulty associated with getting the 60 votes needed to pass such a measure.

Reps. Ed Markey (D-Mass.) and Jim Ramstad (R-Minn.) introduced House legislation in January to designate the coastal plain as a wilderness area. House and Senate legislation to create permanent protection has also been introduced in previous sessions of Congress. . .

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